



Lineback's New Mexico Type II
Interagency Incident Management Team
OJO FELIZ FIRE
Rainville, NM
April 16, 2006

Acres: approximately 16,400

Containment: 50 %

Fire Personnel: 400

Structures Lost: 1 Adobe Structure and 4 Outbuildings

Communities Threatened: Los Hueros area.

Highways Closed: Mora County road C-4 from State Highway 442 to Los Hueros

Cause of Fire: Human

Fire Update: Firefighters Make Steady Progress

Strong winds prevented air operations and hampered firefighting efforts all day Saturday. Heavy fuels and rough terrain prevented engine access and complicated suppression and mop up operations along some sections of fire line. Despite these adverse conditions, firefighters were able to improve containment, and expect better weather today.

Residents of Los Hueros are still under an evacuation order and are asked not to return to their homes until conditions are deemed safe. We want to remind motorists in the vicinity of the fire that they should use only main roads and stay off roads leading into the active fire area. There may be blowing smoke along highway 442, so use caution when driving or walking in or around any of the burned areas.

In observance of Easter Sunday, a short voluntary, non-denominational church service for firefighters was conducted by Deacon Eloy Roybal from St. Gertrude's in Mora.

As always, firefighter and public safety is the number one concern of the New Mexico Type 2 Incident Management Team. For additional information please contact Fire Information at its new number: 505.387.9120 or check the website at: www.nmimt.com/assignment.htm